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Cromwell Advertisements



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BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER,
Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Families waited on for orders, and Bread regularly delivered in all parts of the district.

Cromwell Veterinary Shoeing Forge,
Next door to Kidd's Cromwell Hotel.

EDWARD LINDSAY,
(Late of Clyde and Melbourne),
GENERAL BLACKSMITH, FARRIER, AND
MACHINIST.

Begs to intimate to his customers and the general public that he has REMOVED to his NEW PREMISES, next to the Cromwell Hotel, Melmore Terrace, where he will carry on every description of Blacksmith work and Farriery as heretofore.

E. LINDSAY begs to intimate to the Public generally that he has gone to the expense of getting a CAST-IRON BED FOR TIRING WHEELS on a new principle, being the first introduced in-country, which he will guarantee to give general satisfaction; also, that he has made a reduction in the price of horse-shoeing.

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EDWARD LINDSAY,
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CROMWELL COAL PITS.
NICHOLAS & CO.

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NO INCREASE IN PRICES!

NICHOLAS & CO.,
Coal Merchants.

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Estimates given for Buildings at the Lowest Prices compatible with Good Material and Workmanship.

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BARRISTER, SOLICITOR,

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CONVEYANCER,

Will regularly attend the Courts at Cromwell.



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J. Y. HENRY, Proprietor.

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GENERAL IMPORTERS,

CROMWELL, QUEENSTOWN, ARROWTOWN, & MELBOURNE.

WE have much pleasure in calling the attention of the inhabitants generally to our Large Stock, as enumerated in this advertisement. It does not detail all the articles we keep, for to do so would be almost impossible. We have endeavoured to enumerate all the principal articles of each class; but every want necessary in a Mining, Agricultural, and Pastoral community can be supplied.

All our purchases being for cash, we thus possess an advantage that few are able to avail themselves of.

We therefore respectfully solicit a continuance of the patronage hitherto bestowed, with the conviction that all orders entrusted to our care will be promptly executed, and the articles found to be of good value.

Drapery.—The attention of Ladies is respectfully directed to this Department. It will be found replete with all the latest novelties from the Melbourne markets, and arrangements have been made for regular shipments per each steamer.

Dresses, in silks, fancy and black; alpaca, challis, mohairs, wineys, muslins, prints, coburges Shawls, all-wool plaids, French merinos, skirtings, jackets, &c.
Hosiery, gloves, handkerchiefs, laces, trimmings of all kinds
Ladies' and Children's Underclothing.—Our stock will be found the largest and best-assorted on the Gold-fields

Ladies' and Children's Hats, trimmed and untrimmed
Feathers, flowers, corsets, chignons, &c.
A large assortment of white and coloured flannels, serge and cricketing; calicoes and sheetings; and every other article required in the trade.

Slop Department.—Men's Suits, Fagot and 1 sue; boys' ditto, Leopold, Stanley, sac, and knickerbocker; Trousers and vests, all kinds

Trousers, in silk mixture, doeskin, tweed, cotton, Bedford cord, and moleskin
Shirts—white dress, regatta, Crimean, serge, Scotch twill, tweed, and jain
Pants and under-shirts, in flannel, lambswool, serge, merino, and cotton
Men's and boys' Hosiery, of all kinds
Hats—straw, merino, tweed, silk-stitched, felt, and plush, in all the latest shapes
Waterproof coats, overalls, lezzings, and sou'-westers; monkey jackets and pilot coats
All the above Goods are to our special order.

Boots and Shoes.—A splendid assortment, consisting of:
Ladies', girls', and children's boots, in kid, cashmere, morocco, and leather
Slippers—canvas, patent leather (plain and fur-trimmed), sheepskin, and carpet
Men's and boys' boots—elastic-side, Balmoral, Blucher, Wellington, half-Wellington, and riding boots; Colonial water-tights, made to our order in Melbourne
Gum boots—Hayward's North British and Liverpool; Hardy's nuggets.

Carpets.—In tapestry, felt, all-wool kidderminster, drugget; hearth-rugs.
Matting.—China and coir; oilcloth, door-mats.

Ironmongery, Mining Tools, and Agricultural Implements.—Anvils, axes, augers, adzes, balances, bells, bags, blacking brushes (all kinds), baking-dishes, billics, braces and bits, black-lead, bellows, boilers, belstevils, bolts, blocks, can lestickers, chains (various), can-die moulds, calanders, compasses, chisels, coal scuttles, scoop and vase; corkscrews, coffin furniture, cash-boxes, door-scrappers, drippers, egg-whisks, slice and cups; fuse, frying-pans, funnels, files, fenders and fire-irons, fish-hooks, gimblets, grindstones, graters, glue, gridirons, gold-blowers, dishes and sieves, grates, gads, guns, glue-pots, hammers (all kinds), hoes, jelly-mouths, knives, a large assortment; knives and forks, knife-board, kettles, lanterns, locks, ladders, milk dishes, cans, strainers, sieves, and yokes; measuring tapes, mops, mallets, nails of every kind, pitch, picks, pumps, powder, pincers, piping, ploughs, quoits, quicksilver, rules, rope, resin, rivets, rasps, rakes, ship scrapers, sickles and bats, slop-pails, saws of all kinds, sieves, seaming twine, sponges, scoops, sheep-shears, sawcepins, shovels and spades, spirit-levels, soldering-irons, solder, spokeshaves, shot, steel-yards, scales, screws, staples, steppins, teapots, towels, tar, tacks, tubs, tuc-irons, vices, waiters, washing boards and powder, window furniture of all kinds, writing cases, zinc, &c. &c.

Timber and Building Materials.—Shelving, 12 and 14 inches wide; T. and G. lumber T. and G. Scotch Flooring, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 inch; beaded and plain match lining Quartering, American hardwood, 3 x 1, 3 x 1 1/2, 3 x 2, 4 x 3, 4 x 6; mouldings, various sizes Galvanised and painted iron, all sizes; rolled zinc, spouting, brackets, down-piping, henna Screws, nails, locks, hinges, and bolts; doors, glass, raised panel, and plain sashes, all sizes.

Paints, Paperhangings, Oils.—Paints of all kinds; white and red lead; black, green, blue, umbre, ochre, &c.; Oils—raw, boiled, colza, olive, turpentine, &c.; oak and copal varnish, asphaltum, oak-stain, knotting

Paperhangings.—A large assortment, of drawing-room, sitting-room, bed-room, hall, passage, and ceiling, various; borderings, all kinds.

Tinware of every description, a large assortment, all kinds.

Kitchen Utensils.—Stoves, boilers, saucepans, kettles, &c.

Crockery.—A large and well-assorted department.

Lamps, Glassware, Kerosene, Lampware.—large assortment.

Furniture, Bedding, &c.—Bedsteads: an assortment of French and stump double, single, and children's bedsteads and cots

Chairs: Ladies, Florence, Lincoln, Fillmore, dining, American wood, spring hair, rocking; easy-chairs, in hair, cane, and wood

Commodore, chelloniers, children's high and low chairs, cane and wood; chests of drawers

Tables: round and square, dining, loo, and dressing, various

Washstands, in cedar and walnut; towel-horses, mahogany, cedar, turned and plain

Sofas, a large assortment, colonial male, with or without backs, pillows, and cushions

Mattresses: feather, hair, flock, fibre, any size; pillows and bolsters, do. do. do.

Leather—Crop, kip, calf, kangaroo, &c., from the Tannery of Michaelis, Hallenstein, and Co

Grindery.—A large assortment.

Tobacco and Cigars.—Being direct importers of these goods, buyers can always depend on getting a first-class article.

Tobacco: fancy and aromatic, silver coil, Atlantic cable, old sport, navy, fives, sixes, tens, imperial ruby, gold bar; dark aromatic—tens, bashful lover, little sunshade, monster; Barrett's twist and cut tobacco; snuff

Cigars: Trancos, Havana, Princess, and Swiss.

Stationery and Books.—Account-books, all sizes and bindings; minute-books, bill-files, blotting-paper, memo. books, copying letter-books, copy and exercise books, date-books, envelopes, all kinds and sizes; classic bands, foolscap (plain and ruled), gun manilla, ink of all kinds; inkstands, a large variety; letter balances, clips, and files; pass-books

Note and letter paper, white, blue, and mourning; pens of all kinds, pencils, playing-cards, pocket-books, purses, slates, albums, rulers, sealing-wax, tissue-paper, all colours; desks

Books: an assortment of family and pocket Bibles, church services, and prayer-books

Poetical Works of Byron, Moore, Scott, Burns, Milton, Cowper, Cook, Campbell, Longfellow.

Gift books; dictionaries—French, Latin, German, and English; geographies, arithmetics.

Fancy Goods.—A large, choice, and varied assortment.

Patent Medicines.—A large assortment; also, a variety of Horse Medicines.

Perfumery.—"from every flower that breathes a fragrance."

Saddlery.—This department will be found very complete, as all goods are manufactured expressly for us by Alston, of Melbourne.

Bridles, with or without bits; a large assortment of ladies' and gentlemen's, double and single rein, Pelham and snaffle; all prices.

Carry-combs and brushes of all kinds; halters; hobbles, various.

Saddles, ladies' and gentlemen's; demy, stock, green hide, and all over hogskin; various prices.

Saddle-cloths, kersey, felt; saddle-girths, leather, web; saddle straps, spurs of all kinds;

valises, marionettes and breastplates, various; stirrup leathers, ladies' slippers and stir-

rup leathers, cruppers, bits, burnisters, headstalls, ladies' worked saddle-cloths.

Spring cart harness complete, dray harness complete, leading sets complete.

Pack saddles, straps, needles, buckles, hemp knives.

Whips, a large variety; jockey whips, silver mounted, green hide; ladies' twigs, various

kinds; buggy whips, cart whips, all sizes; stockwhips and handles, thongs of all kinds.

Produce.—Agents for Robertson and Hallenstein, Brunswick Flour Mills, Lake Wakatipu—

We have for sale their silk-dressed Flour, (equal to Adelaide); pollard, bran, oats,

wheat, barley, chaff. Garden seeds in great variety.

Sundries.—Tents, tarpaulins, Manila rope, hose canvas, horse-covers, wheelbarrows, horse-

directors, brushware, camp and colonial ovens, candles, lime, &c. &c. &c.

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LIVERY AND BAIT STABLES,
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BRIDGE HOTEL, CROMWELL.

Saddle and Harness Horses on Hire.

Charges Moderate.

A First-Class Groom.

HENRY WAEBER,

PRACTICAL

WATCHMAKER AND JEWELLER,
CROMWELL,

Has REMOVED to his

NEW PREMISES,

MELMORE TERRACE,

Adjoining the Golden Age Hotel.

H. W. begs to notify that he has been working in some of the largest Establishments in Great Britain and the Continent; and, having brought with him the Newest and Most Improved WATCHMAKING MACHINERY, he is enabled to execute all orders entrusted to him with accuracy, punctuality, and despatch.

Watches cleaned for 10s.

All Repairs guaranteed for Twelve Months.

A Beautiful and Varied Assortment of Gold and Silver Watches, English and American Clocks, Gold Chains and Alberts, Plain Gold and Signet Rings, Brooches, Ear-rings.

HENRY WAEBER,

WATCHMAKING & JEWELLERY ESTABLISHMENT.
CROMWELL.

WILLIAM J. BARRY,
AUCTIONEER,

CATTLE SALESMAN, & COMMISSION AGENT,
CROMWELL,

Begs to announce to his friends, and the public generally, that he is now prepared to conduct

AUCTION SALES,

in Cromwell, or in any other part of the Province at the lowest rate of commission

CROMWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Reading-room is open to Subscribers on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays.

The Library contains an extensive variety of Books in every department of literature; and about £50 worth of New Works is expected to arrive shortly from Great Britain.

All the Provincial Newspapers, and a number of English Papers and Periodicals, are regularly received for the use of Subscribers.

Annual Subscription, £1 1s; Half-Yearly, 12s 6d; Quarterly, 7s 6d.

THE CELEBRATED

BLACK HORSE BREWERY BEER.

XXX AND XXXX ALE.

BASTINGS AND KOFOED - PROPRIETORS.

The undersigned has been appointed SOLE AGENT for Cromwell and surrounding districts, and can guarantee a regular supply. The Beer cannot be excelled in Otago.

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Crockery, Glassware, Musical Instruments, Brushware, Stationery, Patent Medicines, Fancy Goods and Toys of every description, Paperhangings, Glass, Oils, Colours, Paint, Varnish, Glue, Cue Tips, &c. Thompson's Cement for Cue Tips, English and Colonial Newspapers and Magazines, Dates & Chaff.

"Government by Palaver."

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Approves of Mr Vale's grievance, and we justified in anticipating the arrival of a time when the practice of reporting speeches in Parliament will be relinquished? There cannot be a doubt, we think, that the evils inseparable from the "government by palaver" are aggravated and intensified by the publicity given to mere talk. Instead of meeting for the transaction of business, members meet to confabulate, because what they say is noted down and published to the whole Colony, just as if they were so many oracles uttering words of wisdom. Now let us see how the opposite system works. We have a civic parliament, which raises and administers a revenue of £90,000, and undertakes the municipal government of 53,000 people. It meets once a fortnight, and its sittings occupy three or four hours. Broadly speaking, the city of Melbourne is quite as well governed as the Colony at large, — rather better, perhaps; while the members of the council may compare favourably with those of the Assembly. None of our civic rulers have been expelled for taking bribes, nor have three of their number stood as convicted criminals at the bar of the Supreme Court. This municipal parliament performs its work creditably, and talks little; but supposing its discussions were fully reported in the press, what would follow? Three-fourths of the councillors would be inspired with the ambition of figuring as orators before the country. Instead of fortnightly we should have daily meetings. Debates would be raised upon every conceivable subject, and would be continued from day to day to the interruption of all business, and the distraction of the unfortunate Town Clerk. When the periodical vacancies occur in the Council, there would be a rush of loafers and adventurers; and in due time the municipal franchise would be extended to the rousts of Rongorongo, and the bullies of Barking-square. The councillors would vote themselves an annual stipend; municipal offices would be created for the purpose of providing billets for electioneering agents and wire-pullers; and the municipal government of Melbourne would sink to the level of that of New York. Fortunately for the interests of our fellow-citizens, their representatives in the Council have no motive for wasting their time in talking twaddle. The newspaper reports of their proceedings are models of conciseness, and we devoutly hope they may long remain so, since they afford no temptation to the councillors to substitute word-spinning for practical and beneficial work. — *Australasian*.

A Pipe Light.

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Smoking, unlike tea-drinking, does imply a vast amount of sensuality and selfishness, and does produce great evils among the population, especially of cities. The smoker smokes, not because he needs a minute drop of nicotine to calm his nerves, but because he feels a dreamy, lazy, animal enjoyment in smoking and puffing out the hot fumes. He smokes exactly as a child eats hot pops, or as a woman snuffs at her vinaigrette. The child is not hungry, but it likes a sugar. The woman is not faint, but she likes the pleasant odour, and the grateful, gentle stimulus. With regard to tobacco, there is no question that its operation is to lessen the vital forces of the body; and the effect of this upon a population already debilitated by the impure atmosphere and the confined life of a city, tends to swell the ranks of pauperism and crime. In England, even children smoke tobacco of such foul strength that no Turk or Spaniard — and they are always smoking — could use it without nausea. This practice has a fatal influence. The moderate smoker would say: — If a man really wants a pipe or a cigar, — and such a thing is as conceivable as that he should want a tonic, as quinine; or a sedative, as opium; or a stimulant, as camphor; — if his pulse is full, his temper irritable, his tendency to aggravate himself and every one around him, — if, in one expressive word, he has an attack of that annoying complaint "the jumps," let him by all means take a moderate dose of that admirable sedative, tobacco. But that is exactly what our young men will not do. They literally give themselves up to, or, in for once not exaggerated language of the anti-tobaccoists, "become slaves to," their pipe, and they tobacco which, compared to that of Turkey, is as vitriolised gin to claret in its pernicious effects. We may be sure that a confirmed smoker is more or less indolent, and selfish, and cold-hearted, however great may be his superficial good-nature and *bonhomie*. He is cynical and indifferent to all great ideas. And there can be no doubt that he becomes more or less indifferent to the comfort of others, and if not exactly a "blackguard" or a "hog," yet at least a bear. For, let the smoker argue about "disinfection" and "infectiousness" as he may, to smoke in a habitable and inhabited room is, if not a "heavily," yet at least a dirty habit. It is at least certain that one half the world does not smoke. Ladies would not dislike smoking as they do, if men limited themselves to one cigar or one pipe in the open air. — *Echo*.

The Governor of New South Wales has notified that all applicants for the public service must pass a University examination.

"It is a pleasant thing to reflect upon," said Dickens, "and furnishes a complete answer to those who contend for the gradual degeneration of the human species, that every babe born into the world is a finer one than the last."

The Victorian Parliament.

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Victorians pay their legislators £311 a year, and this is the way the legislators earn their money: —

"The idea seemed to have got about in the early part of the evening that Mr Gillies had a little game, and it is bantered about from member to member, half in joke and half in earnest. When Mr Langton rose to speak, a further idea was engrafted upon it that he was playing the little game of Mr Gillies for him. A voice came from behind him accordingly, 'Ah, now the little game is coming out;' at the same time Mr W. C. Smith nodded to Mr Gillies. This was the signal for the scrimmage."

Mr Langton: — "Really, Mr Davies, I must ask you," turning round to identify the gaily Smith.

Mr Smith (jumping up): — "I rise to a point of order. The hon. member is not stating facts."

Mr Gillies: — "I rise to a point of order. It's a piece of presumption on the part of the hon. member for Ballarat West to —"

Mr Vale: — "I rise to a point of order, Mr Davies. The part member for Maryborough has no right to attribute presumption to —"

Mr Langton, who had sat down in a desponding way: — "I submit, Mr Davies, an hon. member has no right to interrupt me to lecture another hon. member on a point of order."

More interruptions from behind, and cries of "Oh! oh!" in the midst of which was heard: —

Mr Vale: — "The hon. member for Maryborough is unseemly and out of order."

Mr Gillies: — "Order! order! Really it's very unseemly."

Mr Smith (bobbing up and down in a state of galvanic excitement): — "The most unruly member in the House."

And this is what happens, gentle reader, in the Parliament of your country when the hiatus in the Parliamentary reports is filled in with the reporter's euphemism: — "After some little discussion on the point of order, Mr Jones proceeded to say," &c.

Possibly the gentle reader may enquire how it is that the chairman does not cut short the boasters at once; but the fact is, he is very much more dependent upon their mercy than they are on his judgment. He cries "Order! order!" on the impulse of the moment, with a great show of real or affected indignation; and the disorderly member replies as Mr Smith did, "I shall always bow to your ruling, Sir, whether it is right or wrong, but —" and forthwith proceeds to break his word. The House sits quiet under the consciousness that it can do nothing to help him, and that if it interposes it may make matters worse, just as —

"He who in quest of quiet silence hoots
Is apt to make the babbling it imputes."

In fact the House is really a very cowardly thing, and is very soon overawed by the sound of its own voice. For instance, in the early part of this very Wednesday evening, it attempted to suppress Mr Whitman, who was wasting its time on the subject of Lieut. Furber being appointed to navigate the Nelson, with its precious freight of legislators, down the bay. At first it went into the attempt with hearty goodwill, and by dint of screams, and congas, and catcalls, roared Mr Whitman back into his seat for a moment. But only for a moment. It got frightened in the act of triumph, and the member for Emerald-hill, seeing his opportunity, rose again with renewed courage, — though the author of the *Vision of Judgment*, who had a little Parliamentary experience in his day, has left his opinion that

"Few will twice
Lift up their lungs when fairly over-crow'd."

What is really wanted is that the House should ascertain its exact strength, and how far it may use it, and then decide upon some settled plan of defence upon which the aggressors may be met and extinguished on the spot, with or without the aid of the Chair man.

In a recent case (*Ferguson v. McCormick*) in the Supreme Court in Auckland, before Sir G. A. Arney, a definition of the term "Yankee Grab" was given, which caused some amusement. The following is an extract from the report: — "The plaintiff, in cross-examination, said that himself, the defendant, and another man were original holders of the ground called the 'Clyde,' for which each of them got thirty-three shares in the Albion Gold Mining Company. — In answer to the query of what was to be done with the hundredth share, the plaintiff said that Mr Hannaford told them they were to have 'Yankee Grab' for it. — His Honor: — "Yankee Grab!" (Laughter.) What is that? — Mr Hesketh: 'I do not know, your Honor. I believe it is shaking something in the hat.' (Loud laughter.) Practically, Mr Hesketh said, he knew nothing of 'Yankee Grab,' but he had been informed upon reliable authority that it was a speculative pastime, invented to arrive at a result; as, for instance, where two persons were in doubt as to which of them should pay for a bottle of wine, or the like; or, as in the matter before the Court, to determine who should become the owner of the odd share. Some persons had opined that this method of deciding things had not a moral tendency; but this he could not say of his own knowledge. — Mr Rees stated from belief, not experience, that the game referred to would be known in after years as "rattling the bones." It was an appeal to decide certain issues by ascertaining the aggregate number of spots upon dice thrown in triplicate in an agreed-upon succession of throws or casts. — His Honor bowed his acknowledgment for the information."

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The gold yield of New South Wales for the first nine months of this current year shows an increase of 91 per cent. as compared with the corresponding period of 1870.

A brisk correspondence is going on in the *Times* with regard to the banks sending wool to England. The banks are defended by the chairman of the Bank of Australasia and Sir Daniel Cooper.

Soon these colonies will not be dependent on Mauritius for their sugar, as Queensland sugar is now commanding satisfactory prices in Melbourne, large shipments being continually sent to that port. The Brisbane correspondent of the *Sydney Morning Herald* says: — "Machinery for sugar-making is being constantly landed or manufactured here, and I know that several boiling houses are being hurried to completion, so brisk is the demand."

In reference to the late Victorian "protective" tariff the *Mount Alexander Mail* says: — "There are symptoms of sickening and nausea, even before the draught has been well swallowed. The most sanguine friend of free trade and common sense could scarcely have desired a more exhilarating spectacle than the contortions of the protectionists at the first taste of the consequences of protection to their pockets. From all parts letters of complaint flock into the papers that the shopkeepers are raising their prices, and that very soon a man with an ordinary family to spend it on won't be able to live in Victoria. Shoes that used to cost 10s a pair have gone up to 14s and 15s, writes one consumer. If the Treasurer does not take off half the duty on calf skins, says a producer, I shall be obliged to dismiss a third of the hands from my establishment. A retailer sends from Echuca to order a piece of cloth from the importer at 6s 6d a yard. Can't send it under 8s 6d in consequence of the tariff, telegraphs back the importer. Two Melbourne tailoring firms have reduced the wages of their men 20 per cent. right off the reel, and in several of the clothing establishments, large and small, the unfortunate sempstresses have been cut down 1d and 2d per article, making a difference of 2s or 3s per week in the earnings of most of them. And these are only a few examples, culled hastily from a single perusal of the morning papers, the immediate effects of the beneficent policy of protection upon the classes in whose interest it was inaugurated."

All readers of the New Zealand newspapers must have noticed that the announcements under the head "Marriages," (or, as an American paper puts it, "The Altar,") have been gradually becoming fewer and fewer, but there is now good reason to anticipate an improvement in this direction. A Mrs. Baring (benevolent creature, she should have spelt her name with a D) advertises in the *Auckland papers* her intention of publishing shortly a *Matriarchal Times*, with a view, as she expresses it, to meeting the requirements of settlers in the out districts, who are debarred from forming acquaintances among the opposite sex. Dear, disinterested benefactress of the human race! If it were not for an unfortunate allusion to a trifling two-and-sixpenny fee that will be required at the hands of those who may avail themselves of her services, I should be inclined to look upon her philanthropic — a crusty old bachelor has in my hearing called them misanthropic — efforts with a favourable eye; but all the romance that might, under other circumstances, have attached itself to the *Matriarchal Times* and its editress, has faded away before that wretched half-crown. What a pity it is that such benevolent institutions cannot be carried on without a drain on the pockets of those whom they are to benefit! But then philanthropy without fees is so very rare!

The question of the propriety of members of the Assembly receiving an honorarium has again cropped up for its periodical discussion in the House of Representatives, even although Mr. Crumroft Wilson, who always consistently moved for its abolition, or, at all events, reduction, is no longer a member of that House. That such a sum as would cover their necessary expenses while in Wellington should be paid to the Lower House we think perfectly reasonable and fair, but we cannot say the same with regard to the members of the Legislative Council, who represent the large property holders of the Colony, from which class its ranks are constantly being recruited. It has a forced us no little pleasure to find that one of the Legislative Councillors, the hon. G. M. Waterhouse, is of the same way of thinking, and that he is not content with merely expressing his opinion, but means to give a practical proof of his sincerity. In a letter addressed to the *Waikato Mercury* this gentleman says: — "In the peculiar circumstances of New Zealand, the practice of paying members of the Legislative Council an honorarium of £1 per day, however objectionable in principle, appears almost essential to enabling constituencies to secure in the House of Representatives the services of members alike acquainted with the wants of the various districts, and able and desirous to serve their fellow settlers. But in the case of the Legislative Council, no such necessity exists; its members are not elected, but nominated, and that from a class which as a whole does not require, and in my opinion ought not to receive, the honorarium paid to the elective members of Parliament. I believe the usefulness of the Legislative Council would be increased and its dignity would be promoted by the withdrawal of this honorarium; but, so long as it continues to be paid I am determined to appropriate it to purposes of public utility." — *Nelson Evening Mail*.

SELECTED POETRY.

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IN THE TUNNEL.

BY HART HART.

Didn't know Flynn —
Flynn of Virginia —
Long as he's been 'yar?
Look 'ee here, stranger,
Whar 'ee you been?

Here in this tunnel
He was my partner,
That same Tom Flynn —
Working together,
In wind and weather,
Day out and in,

Didn't know Flynn!
Well that is queer;
Why, it's a sin.
To think of Tom Flynn,
Tom with his cheer,
Tom without fear —
Stranger, look 'yar!

Thar in the drift,
Back to the wall,
He held the timbers,
Ready to fall;
Then, in the darkness,
I heard him call:
"Run for your life, Jake!
Run for your wife's sake!
Don't wait for me."

And that was all
Heard in the din —
Heard of Tom Flynn —
Flynn of Virginia.

That's all about
Flynn of Virginia,
That let me out.
Here in the damp,
Out of the sun,
That 'ar denied lamp
Makes my eyes run.
Well, there, — I'm done.

But, sir, when you'll
Hear the next fool
Asking of Flynn —
Flynn of Virginia, —
Just you chip in,
Say you knew Flynn —
Say that you've been 'yar.

VARIETIES.

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"Father, won't you buy me a fishing-rod?" said a pious boy: "you know the Bible says, 'Spare the rod, and spoil the child.'"

The reason why editors have their manners spoiled is because they receive so many evil communications from one correspondent or another.

A New Hampshire county auditor had the following bill presented him for allowance in a late law-suit: — "To doing your work, such as drawing water, choppin' wood, and feedin' cattle, three weeks, while you lay drunk, \$21."

A Strange Excuse. — A curious plea was put forward the other day by a clerk accused of embezzlement in Melbourne, viz.: that he had taken £600 or so, because he meant to be a partner in the business, because he thought it promoted the interests of his employers, and because he had "stood drinks" for a great many of the firm's customers. He said that he supposed his employers would not see the matter in exactly the same light as he did. And they didn't.

A Lion at Glasgow has been under the hands of a dentist, who succeeded in extracting a diseased tooth. The sick lion was secured, to prevent injury to the operator, who had the further security of the bars of the cage intervening between himself and his patient. By means of a well applied gag, his jaws were fixed, so that the instrument could be introduced without fear of injury to the doctor's hand. He completed his task, but not without some damage to poor Leo's jaw.

A New Orleans paper says: — A Colporteur opened the door of an Irishman's shanty in the Second Municipality, and putting in his head, in a very pious tone asked the owner of the domicile, "if he would accept of a tract of the Holy Land," meaning, of course, an essay on that interesting portion of the world. "Yis, be jabbers," was the reply of the Hibernian, "a houl section if you give a good title deed. But I should like to know if there is much of it prairie, or if new settlers are subject to the ague there?"

Devout Kissing. — John Brown, of Haddington, was the author of the "Marrow of Divinity," and other theological books which are held in high esteem by the Scottish people. He courted a lady upwards of six years. He was so singularly modest and bashful that he never ventured to kiss her. One day it occurred to him that it would not be a bad thing to do. So of his recollection that he said, "Janet, my woman, we've been acquainted now for years, an' — an' — I've never got a kiss yet. D'ye think I may take one, my bonnie lass?" The reply was wonderfully characteristic of the Scottish maiden. "Jist as ye like, John," said she, "only be comin' and proper wi' it." — "Surely, Janet," said John, "we'll ask a blessing!" The blessing was asked, and the kiss exchanged. "Oh, woman," said the enraptured but still devout minister, "Oh, woman, but it's gude! We'll no return thanks." And they did!

Bannockburn

QUARTZVILLE BUTCHERY.

JOHN GRINDLEY

Begs to announce to the Public of Bannockburn and the Carrick Range, that he has opened a Butchering Establishment in the Township of QUARTZVILLE, next door to the CARRICK RANGE HOTEL, where he will always have on hand a supply of Prime BEEF, MUTTON, and PORK, at the lowest market rates.

A choice assortment of Small Goods consists on hand.

Orders delivered in any part of the District.

WILLIAM SUTHERLAND & CO.,

(Late of Logantown),

GENERAL BLACKSMITHS & FARRIERS, Beg to intimate to Mining Companies and the public generally that they have removed to CARRICKTOWN, next to M'Cormick's Carrick Range Hotel, where they hope, by strict attention to business, and reasonable charges, to merit a share of their patronage.

Bendigo Gully, &c.

Rocky Point Ferry,

On the Main Line of Government Road to Bendigo.

Reduced FARES

GEORGE M'LACHLAN begs to intimate that he has purchased from Mr John M'Cormick, together with the ROCKY POINT FERRY HORSE, the large and well-furnished PUNT recently placed on the Clutha at the above crossing-place.

This Punt is admitted to be one of the finest in the Province, and easily crosses the heaviest six and eight-horse waggons. Forty tons can be taken on the punt at once, and crossed with ease.

This being the nearest road to Bendigo, parties visiting the Reefs will find it to their advantage so cross at this punt. Vehicles of all descriptions ferried at moderate rates.

BENDIGO REEFS HOTEL, WAKEFIELD.

The undersigned having recently completed the above house at great expense, begs to intimate that he is now in a position to offer the best Accommodation to his patrons. The house has been fitted with every convenience for carrying on an extensive trade, and the comfort of visitors and boarders will be specially attended to.

Commodious BILLIARD ROOM, with one of the best Tables.

W. GOODALL, Proprietor.

JOSIAH MITCHINSON,

Wholesale and Retail STOREKEEPER, WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MERCHANT, WAKEFIELD STORE; (Near Cromwell Quartz Co.'s Machine), BENDIGO.

GOODS DELIVERED At all parts of the Reefs.

BENDIGO POST OFFICE.

Hawea and Wanaka

HAWEA SAW-MILLS.

The undersigned can supply SAWN TIMBER in any quantity.

Orders addressed to Albert Town will be punctually attended to, and forwarded to Bendigo Gully for 20s per 100 feet.

BOARDS and SCANTLING at 16s. per 100 feet super., at the foot of the Lake (GLADSTONE), whence they can be conveyed by dray to Bendigo Gully or elsewhere.

J. D. ROSS, Hawea Saw-mills.

WANAKA HOTEL, PEMBROKE.

Right above hotel, which is delightfully situated on the margin of the Wanaka Lake, offers to the tourist and pleasure-seeker advantages rarely to be met with.

The scenery in the neighbourhood is exceedingly picturesque; and on an Island in the Lake there is excellent rabbit-shooting.

An excellent Four-stalled STABLE, and a PADDOCK, for horses.

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ALBION HOTEL AND STORE,

LUGGATE,

2 1/2 miles from Cromwell, on the main road to Lake Wanaka.

H. NAIDMAN, Proprietor.

This well-known Hotel possesses every accommodation for the comfort and convenience of travellers.

Groceries, Clothing, Drapery, Ironmongery, Mining Tools, &c., &c., constantly on hand, at Cromwell prices.

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N.B.—District Post Office.

Nevis

BRITISH STORES,

Nevis.

Arrowtown

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Wholesale and Retail Storekeeper,

WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MERCHANT, ARROWTOWN.

The largest and best-assorted stock of Wines, Spirits, Groceries, and Provisions in the District.

A well-assorted stock of Boots and Shoes, Drapery, &c.

Agent for T. ROBINSON & Co., Agricultural Implement Manufacturers, Dunedin & Melbourne.

Queenstown

JOHN O. MARDELL,

MINING AGENT, SHAREBROKER, AND General Commission Agent, Valuator, and Accountant, ARROWTOWN AND QUEENSTOWN.

Stock, Agricultural Produce, and General Merchandise Bought and Sold on Commission.

ROBERT BOYNE,

GENERAL STOREKEEPER

AND NEWS AGENT,

Queenstown, Lake Wakatipu.

A large stock of Groceries and other goods always on hand. Importer of English and Colonial Newspapers. Orders punctually attended to, and newspapers forwarded to any part of the district.

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[A CARD.]

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CHARLES BEEBY,

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Begs to inform the inhabitants of the Cromwell District that any work entrusted to him will be executed by an EXPERIENCED WORKMAN, with accuracy and despatch.

Colonial Jewellery of all descriptions, trade-marked, made on the premises. 99

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A. EICHARDT, PROPRIETOR.

The accommodation available for Families at this Hotel is equal to any obtainable in the Metropolis. A large and handsome two-storey STONE BUILDING, fronting the Lake, and having a private entrance from the beach, has just been completed, and is furnished and fitted up in a style the most costly and luxurious.

Best Stables in Queenstown.

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To the Inhabitants of the Cromwell District.

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PRACTICAL WATCHMAKER, AND MANUFACTURING JEWELLER, CLYDE,

Has now on hand a choice and varied assortment of Gold and Silver WATCHES; English, French, and American CLOCKS; also, a very choice selection of English and Colonial JEWELLERY, consisting of Gold Scarf Pins, Locketts, Chains, Brooches, Ear-rings, Guards.

Wedding, Signet, Gem, and Keeper Rings, Seals, Keys, and Chains in endless variety, of the newest designs.

Also, Lately arrived, a very suitable and elegant assortment of FANCY GOODS, too numerous to particularize, very suitable for CHRISTMAS PRESENTS and NEW YEAR'S GIFTS.

Watches & Clocks carefully Cleaned & Repaired.

MR A. D. WILSON,

DISTRICT SURVEYOR & MINING

ENGINEER,

CLYDE.

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Alexandra

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THEYERS & BECK beg to announce that they are prepared to supply their SPARKLING XXXX ALES in any quantity.

Delivered free of cartage within twenty miles.

Orders left with

Mr THEYERS, Alexandra;

Mr C. P. BECK, Clyde;

Or at the BREWERY, will be promptly attended to.

THEYERS AND BECK,

BREWERS,

ALEXANDRA.

NOTICE.

POISON for DOGS is laid on ARDGOUR STATION. ALEX. McLEAN, Manager.

NOTICE.

POISON for DOGS will be laid on Mount Pisa Station on and after this date. I. LOUGHNAN. Mount Pisa, 12th May 1870.—27c

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AND

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Standing advertisements according to agreement.

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MATTHEWS & FENWICK,

Proprietors and Publishers.

Cromwell



THE undersigned begs to announce that, having secured a constant supply of FAT CATTLE and SHEEP on favourable terms, he will shortly commence business as a CARCASS BUTCHER at Cromwell, and will be prepared to execute WHOLESALE ORDERS for BEEF and MUTTON at the lowest market rates.

Fat Stock always on hand.

W. J. BARRY, WHOLESALE SLAUGHTERMAN.

BEEF AND MUTTON,

DEAD OR ALIVE,

WHOLESALE ONLY.



EARL OF CARRICK.

The Imported Clydesdale Stallion

"EARL OF CARRICK"

will stand for the Season at POISON CREEK FARM, Wanaka Road; and will visit fortnightly each of the following places, viz.:—ALBERTOWN, BANNOCKBURN, BENDIGO, CARDRONA, CROMWELL, and KAWARAU GORGE.

Terms.....£4.

EARL OF CARRICK (imported from Victoria) is a beautiful black horse, possessing great bone and substance; is seven years old, and stands 16 hands high. He was bred at Mansfield, Victoria, by J. Steele, Esq., and was got by the famous horse BLACKLEG, which carried off thirty-one prizes, and never was beaten in Victoria.

EARL OF CARRICK's dam, a prize Clydesdale mare, imported from Scotland.

CHARLES HAIR, Proprietor, Poison Creek.

ELSWICK.

THIS well-known imported thoroughbred horse will stand this Season at PERRIAM'S WELCOME HOME HOTEL, Lowburn, near Cromwell, provided sufficient encouragement be given.

ELSWICK is by Dr O'Toole (bred by Lord Howorth, son of Irish Birdcatcher; dam, Frauline (bred by Captain Archdale), got by De Ruyter; her dam, Netheron Maid, got by Sheet Anchor; Sheet Anchor by Tantiyry—Myrtilla. Dahlia, the dam of Dr O'Toole, was bred by Mr Turnbull, and got by New Fashion; her dam, Matilda, by Humphrey Clinker out of Illegarda, by Bob Booty—Waxy Pope.—See Stud Book.

Terms, L.4 4s., paid in advance; or L.5 5s., if not paid before the end of the Season. CVIII.

The Celebrated Clydesdale Entire Horse,

HEATHER JOCK, will travel this season in the CROMWELL AND BLACKS DISTRICTS.

"HEATHER JOCK" is a beautiful dark bay horse, seventeen hands high, of immense bone, fine symmetry, and superior action. Was got by the far-famed horse REFORMER (imported by C. Rossiter, Esq., Cranbourne), out of the Celebrated Mare FLOKA (the property of J. Johnston, Esq., Whittlesea, Victoria).

"HEATHER JOCK" has taken First and Second Prizes as a colt, one, two, and three years old in Victoria. Sire REFORMER, who gained the Highland Society's First Prize at Perth in 1852, as a yearling; in 1859, at Melbourne, the Port Philip Farmers' Society's First Prize, beating Clyde (Mr J. Wilson's) and four other imported sires; in 1857, at Melbourne, the Port Philip Farmers' Society's First Prize, beating Clyde and twenty-five others; at the same meeting won the Champion Cup, valued £30, as the most perfect animal exhibited. He has also taken a large number of Local Prizes, and his stock have been successful as prize-takers. Dam, FLOKA, got by the renowned horse Prince Charlie (imported by Messrs M'Intosh, Glenroy), out of a pure bred V. D. L. mare, bred by Mr R. Q. Kermodie, Mona Vale. FLOKA took first prize at Whittlesea two years in succession: first at Kilmore, and second at Heidelberg, in 1861.

"HEATHER JOCK" will visit Cromwell every alternate Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, commencing on the 20th October; and Blacks every alternate Tuesday and Wednesday, commencing on the 10th October.

Terms, £4, payable on or before the 1st February, 1872; Groomage Fee, 5s., payable on first service.

Clover paddock of 20 acres provided for Mares, free of charge, and all care will be taken, but no responsibility incurred. Mares to be removed on or before the 1st of January.

JAMES McNAUGHTON, Alexandra.

FOR SALE—A LIGHT SPRING CART. JAMES TAYLOR, Cromwell Timber Yard.

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ARTHUR NORMAN,—Your brother is anxious to hear from you. Address: W. NORMAN, Engineer, Macintosh Saw Mills, Echuca, Victoria.—Any information as to the whereabouts of ARTHUR NORMAN will be thankfully received by his brother, at the above address. C.V.

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A FOUR-ROOMED HOUSE; with One Chain business frontage; opposite Mc Cormick's Hotel, Quartzville.

Apply on the premises.

Also, a Share in the Duke of Cumberland Quartz Claim, next Heart of Oak.

TENDERS are required for Supplying the Heart of Oak and Star of the East Companies' Battery with COALS for TWELVE MONTHS; to be delivered at the rate of 22 TONS per week.

Specifications can be seen at the ARGUS office, or at the Companies' office, Ferry Hotel, Bannockburn.

TENDERS to be sent into the Companies' Office, Bannockburn Ferry Hotel, not later than 7 p.m. on THURSDAY, November 9th.

The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted. JAMES MARSHALL, Legal Manager.

We have Now Opened the **LARGEST & BEST-SELECTED STOCK OF DRAPERY AND CLOTHING** ever seen in Cromwell.

The Goods are marked off at such low prices as will ensure a speedy sale.

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A ONE-SIXTH SHARE and a **ONE-TWELFTH SHARE** in a WATER-RACE, running from the Lowburn Creek to the Kawaran River, and having the prior right to Five Heads of Water, which the Race carries.

Also, **ONE SHARE** in a Two-acre Snicing Claim, situate on the north bank of Kawaran River, nearly opposite the Bannockburn. Good prospects can be obtained in any part of the claim.

Together with a new **IRON HOUSE**, containing Two Rooms, Furniture, Stove, &c.

The above offers a **CERTAIN Handsome Independence**; and is to be had a Bargain.

Apply to Mr G. JENOUR,

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WAKATIP BREWERY.

MESSRS SURMAN AND DAVIS beg to inform the Public of Cromwell and the surrounding districts that, in order to meet the constantly increasing demand for their

ALES,

they have appointed Messrs D. A. JOLLY & Co. their AGENTS IN CROMWELL.

Messrs D. A. JOLLY and Co. will from this date be in a position to supply Wakatip Ale (of prime quality) in bulk or bottle, at prices that will defy competition.

Queenstown, October 30, 1871.

New Advertisements.

A MEETING of the CROMWELL CRICKET CLUB will be held in the Council Chamber THIS EVENING (Tuesday), at nine o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

TO TRAVEL THIS SEASON, FROM BENDERBURN, THROUGH THE DUNSTAN & CROMWELL DISTRICTS, The Thoroughbred Entire, **YOUNG CHORISTER.**

YOUNG CHORISTER is by Chorister—Jenny Lind, by Hermit, &c. See Victorian Studbook. YOUNG CHORISTER is a beautiful dark brown; stands 16 hands high, with immense bone and substance, and possesses more power than any other thoroughbred in the district. Raising three years old; perfectly quiet and good-tempered. Terms, £3 3s.; to be paid on 1st February 1872. Groom's fee, 5s.

A. T. BRAZIL, Proprietor.

Moat Flat.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1871.

Positive and Unreserved Sale.

REEFERS' ARMS HOTEL, LOGANTOWN.

Household Furniture, Horses, Poultry, &c.

W. J. BARRY,

(Instructed by the proprietor, Mr JAS. BEARE), will SELL by AUCTION, on the Premises, on THURSDAY, 9th November, at two o'clock,

The REEFERS' ARMS HOTEL, LOGANTOWN, having 60 feet street frontage; together with the Furniture, comprising Tables, Chairs, Sofas, Beds, Belsteads, and Bedding.

Four-stalled Stable (with store-room attached) and Out-houses.

A lot of Glassware and hardware.

A quantity of Poultry.

Several first-rate Saddle and Harness Horses.

No Reserve. Terms at Sale.

THE adjourned ANNUAL MEETING of SUBSCRIBERS to the CROMWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY will be held in the Council Chamber on WEDNESDAY, 8th instant, at 8.30 p.m. Business: To receive Annual Report and elect new Committee. A full meeting is requested. J. G. BALLARD, Hon. Sec.

BANK HOLIDAY.

On THURSDAY, 9th November, (the Prince of Wales' Birthday), the Bank at Cromwell will remain CLOSED.

BIRTH.

At the Melbourne Hotel, Queenstown, on the 31st October, Mrs J. McCremon (of Bendigo), of a son.

DEATH.

At Quartzville, Carrick Range, on the 4th November, JOHN B. LUSCOMBE, aged 37.

Cromwell Argus, AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

CROMWELL: TUESDAY, NOV. 7, 1871.

THE telegraphic summary of news brought by the steamer which arrived at Hokitika on the 1st instant, contains a good deal of matter more than usually interesting to New Zealand readers, although repetitions of former telegrams are, as usual, interspersed through the despatch. Of all the intelligence, probably the most gratifying portion is the welcome announcement that wool is 1d. to 1½d. higher than the closing rates at 1st sales, with an expected further advance of 1d. to 3d.; and that of 1212 bales of New Zealand flax offered, 950 were sold at advanced rates. For several years past, station property has decidedly decreased in marketable value, and squatters have not had such profits on the produce of their flocks as to induce much satisfaction. With this noteworthy increase in the price of wool, however, and the prospect of a firm and active market, our squitting lords should become jubilant. The high prices realized by the majority of the bales of flax offered is also matter of congratulation. The flax manufacture must be looked upon as one of the most important of our industries. Very large sums have been invested in the flax-dressing business in nearly every Province in the Colony, both in the erection of buildings and the purchase of machinery, and it affords employment to large numbers of people. The state of the flax market is, therefore, a matter of considerable importance to this colony.—The announcement that Dr FEATHERSTON has taken offices in London, and intends to proceed to Germany, in order to promote equitation, leads us to speculate why Germany is selected as the country whence we are to

receive our instruction in equestrianism, and the British Isles are practically ignored. The German makes good colonists, are hard-working, sober, and worthy members of society. But we cannot see what reason can be adduced to show that they will be more eligible colonists than natives of Britain.—We scarcely understand the next item, "It is understood that Mr C. Brodbox has obtained a contract, subject to its acceptance by the New Zealand Government, for the Nelson and Golden railway." It is telegraphed as news, so it cannot refer to the proposed general contract with the Messrs BRODBOX entered into by the Hon. JULIUS VOGEL. Perhaps this is another of those "horrible blunders" which Messrs GREVILLE and Co. promised should never occur again? The details of a proposal to make a railway from London to India, at an estimated cost of £10,000,000, completely throw into the shade our New Zealand railway schemes. The project is a most gigantic one, yet the promoters undertake to complete the line in three years. The journey from England to India would occupy only five days! The construction of the railway would be undertaken on the joint guarantee of the two countries.—The frequently-recurring strikes among artisans in England have yet another to be added to the already long list; with this peculiarity, that the foreign workmen (in the engine) trade who had been brought from the Continent to take the places of those who had struck, have now struck also. "Strikes are assuming alarming proportions, and the principal industries are deranged." There is evidently a screw loose somewhere in the machinery which should regulate the relations of employers and the employed. In consequence of a strike among the Newcastle colliers, the masters imported 3,000 foreign workmen. It is easy to conceive what grave evils such a state of things must give rise to, no matter through men bring it about by their own act. The root of the evil lies, we believe, in the long hours which mechanics and labouring men have to work, in the Old Country, for low wages. Over-work and under-pay cannot fail to breed discontent, and cause serious collisions between employers and workmen. It is irrational to suppose that the Great Creator of all ever designed any class of human beings should be degraded into toilers and mere beasts of burden in order to enable another class to live in luxury and affluence. Until the rights of labour are fully recognised, and all real causes of discontent removed, we may expect to hear from England of these alarming "strikes," with their dark train of accompanying evils.

In our last issue we recorded the fact that the Rev. Joshua Jones had visited Cromwell, and stated our belief that he would be warmly welcomed by his co-religionists. Our Clyde contemporary, in a spirit of capricious criticism and vulgar cynicism, objects to the terms in which our paragraph was couched. The mildest words may be misconstrued, and the plain sense of the most ordinary phrases be perverted. We charge our contemporary with having been guilty of this offence. Perhaps the writer of the ill-mannered and intolerant lines in the *Dunstan Times* is not a "co-religionist" of the Rev. Joshua Jones, and therefore—not having the courage to abuse that reverend gentleman openly—does the dirty work covertly by expelling his bile upon us. "We were under the impression," says our polite contemporary, "that, in these enlightened days, *moles of faith* would not prevent the right hand of fellowship being extended to a minister of the Gospel by all professing Christians." Why, then, the writer again by "moles of faith," we do not envy him his obfuscated moles of thought. He quotes Pharisically of "professing Christians"—the Rev. Joshua Jones knows well how to distinguish between blatant professors and "doers of the Word." The law of Christian charity could not be more flagrantly violated by any one than by the quarrelsome, ungenerous individual who liberally wrote the paragraph which we have reluctantly referred to. He calls these days "enlightened!" His light is darkness—"outer darkness." There let him howl and gnash his un-Christian teeth.

Thursday next, the 9th inst., is the anniversary of the Prince of Wales' birthday. It is usual to observe the day as a holiday in the Courts and public offices. Mr Pyke, however, informs us that the Courts will be held in Cromwell on Thursday next, because a large number of summonses were issued on that day, in forgetfulness that it was a public holiday. The R.M. has on this occasion consulted the public convenience.

Mr W. J. Barry will, on Thursday next, sell, at Logantown, Mr Beare's property known as the Reefers' Arms Hotel. (See advertisement.)

The Treasurer of the Cromwell Church Committee desires to acknowledge the receipt of the following subscriptions:—Messrs J. Harding, £1 1s.; H. Thomas, 10s.; T. Michael, 10s.; G. Smith, £1; Kawaran Gorge, per J. W. Robertson, £5.

The Scores from the Lakes District arrived at Cromwell on Saturday afternoon, the 4th inst., in charge of Sergeant Smith. The amount of gold brought from Queenstown was 3750 ozs., an Upper Arrowhoun 1500 ozs. After receiving an amount of 1012 ozs. from the Bank here, the Assent left for Clyde in charge of Inspector Pereg. The Southern Cross took down 4130 ounces of gold. Total, 11,692 ozs.

The Rev. B. Drake will preach at the Bannockburn school-house at three o'clock on Sunday afternoon next.

The Cromwell Jockey Club held a meeting on Saturday evening, in the Town-hall, Mr Dawkins, Vice-President, in the chair. There was a full attendance. Some discussion arose as to a minute fixing the last Thursday and Friday in December as the days for this year's races (and in future) not having been rescinded. The minutes of two meetings prior to the last one were confirmed. Mr J. Marsh moved, and Mr Wm. Stanly seconded,—"That the minutes of the last meeting be not confirmed, Mr Wrightson moved and Mr Jolly seconded,—"That the minutes of last meeting be confirmed. This amendment was carried by five votes against two; on which Messrs Marsh and Stanly retired. Messrs Jas. Taylor, Pierce, and Jolly were appointed to collect funds in the town; Messrs Wrightson and Campion for the Gorge; Mr Werner for the J. J. Burns; Messrs Stuart and Richards for Bannockburn; Mr Oagg (resident) for the Carrick Range; and Mr Logan for Benlign. Messrs I. Loughnan and John Wrightson were appointed handicappers. Full particulars of the Races— to be held on Friday and Saturday, December 25th and 26th, will be found in our advertising columns.

The Elizabeth Quartz Mining Company's newly-erected machinery will start crushing on stone from its own claim, and not upon quartz from an adjacent claim, as erroneously stated in our last issue.

Gold to the amount of 221,304 ounces, and valued at £833,597 was exported from the several Provinces of New Zealand during the quarter ended 30th September last. Of the quantity mentioned, 123,229 ozs.—more than four times the export from Otago and Southland—are credited to the Province of Auckland. The aggregate value of the gold exported from the Colony up to 30th September is estimated at £23,753,081.

Owners of brood mares will do well to observe that the imported thoroughbred horse "Blawick" is now in this district; he is acknowledged to have many fine points, and his pedigree is first-class. "Young Chorister" is also to travel in this district. For particulars as to these horses we refer our readers to the advertisements.

Three months ago an agitation was initiated in the Cromwell Town Council by the ex-Mayor, and later by Councillor Frazer, having for its object certain most necessary alterations in the municipal services,—affecting Naseby, Clyde, Cromwell, and Queenstown. Most unanswerable arguments were alluded to show that Cromwell should be subsidised for Clyde as the Mail Terminus. Our friends at Naseby were interested in the matter, and cordially co-operated with us in endeavouring to bring about the desired change. The existing contract, however,—and the unwillingness of the Government to incur any pecuniary obligation which they can possibly postpone or shirk,—stand in the way. The *South Island Chronicle* of the 2nd inst., has an article on the subject, which we would gladly reprint did our space permit. The following is the concluding paragraph:—"Though so far a failure, the matter must not be allowed to drop, but must, on the contrary, be more than ever and more strongly than ever agitated. We ask for but little, but to that little we feel that we are fully entitled, and that little we should be determined to live by the exercise of every lawful power at our command. When thousands, tens of thousands, and hundreds of thousands of pounds are being expended upon railways radiating in Dunedin, for which, in any case, we shall have our share of the paper to pay, we have a perfect right to demand that something should be done towards improving inland communication. No Government can be honest or upright which will expend the whole of its consideration and means to exalt one or more places at the expense and to the injury of the whole."

The annual meeting of subscribers to the Cromwell Public Library, announced for last Thursday evening, was a failure: it didn't come off. The public were wholly unrepresented on the occasion, and the Committee (of whom only five were present) resolved to hold in their annual report for publication in to-day's ARGUS, and to convene an adjourned meeting of the subscribers for to-morrow night. We deprecate the spirit displayed by the subscribers. A large amount of valuable property has been accumulated by the exertions of the Committee, and the financial position and prospects of the institution are of the most cheering description (as will be seen from the report), and it seems probable that only a short period will elapse before the Committee will be enabled to commence the proposed new Athenaeum Building. We trust the subscribers will manifest in force to-morrow night, and testify by their presence that the disinterested and successful efforts of the Committee are in some degree appreciated.—[Pressure on our space compels us to bid over the report and balance-sheet.—Ed. ARGUS.]

The General Assembly will probably be prorogued about the middle of this month.

A meeting took place in the Town-hall, on Tuesday evening last, for the purpose of re-organising the Cromwell Cricket Club. The attendance, although not so numerous as it should have been, was sufficient to prove that last season's practice, and the pleasant recreation it afforded to those who shared in the exhilarating pastime, had not been forgotten. Mr Mackellar was elected Chairman. After some discussion, it was agreed to postpone the election of a committee until this evening, in order to allow time for obtaining accessions to the list of members. Messrs Mackellar and Sansom undertook canvassing for subscribers; and the subscription for the year was fixed at five shillings each member. The material principal last year was reported to be in serviceable condition, with the exception of two or three bats which were accidentally broken. It was resolved to order two bats and two b's from Dunedin; these, it was believed, were all the new materials that would be required for the season's play. It was proposed that the opening match should take place on the Prince of Wales' birthday (Thursday, 9th inst.), and Messrs Ballard, Ossett, Mills, and Johnston were appointed a committee to arrange the preliminaries. There was a fair muster at practice on Wednesday evening.

Mr Smythies, son, will again practise his profession as a lawyer and solicitor, and Bill for that purpose having passed both Houses of the Legislature.

The Goldfields Bill has been passed with several important amendments. One of the most important features of the measure is the dis-empowerment which it gives to the dishonest practice of "flouting" claims, a thing not unknown in this district. Clauses 33 to 53 will come into immediately into operation.—The Otago Land Bill has also passed.

The enterprising firm of I. Hallenstein and Co. are about to erect a large and substantial grain and produce store in Cromwell, alongside the present extensive premises. The building will be of stone, 90 ft. in depth, 21 ft. frontage, walls 12 ft. high.

The Lake Wakatipu District Races, to be held on January 11th and 12th, will be somewhat exclusive in their character, the entries being restricted to "district" or "provincial" horses,—thus excluding the Canterbury steels.

A wedding of rather an unusual character took place in Dunedin on Wednesday last, an enterprising Chinese vegetable vendor having taken into himself a fair European wife. The damsel is possessed of more than average personal attractions, and her husband is well-known to thrifty housewives as a 'cute trader in the vegetable line.

In a recent debate in the House of Representatives, Mr Mervyn behaved in such an unpardonable and outrageous manner that the Chairman of Committees left the chair, and reported him to the Speaker. On the following day the matter was brought before the House, and considered with closed doors, the result being that Mr Mervyn had to "eat humble pie" and apologise.

The Victorian Government appears determined to stop the introduction of our vagrants, &c., into that colony. Messrs M'Leckan, Blackwood & Co. have been compelled, under terms of a bond entered into by them, to pay for the maintenance of an imbecile person taken to Victoria by one of their steamers, and who had become an inmate of Yarra Bend Asylum.

The right of the press to criticise public men and their savings and doings is undoubted; but when free criticism is indulged in, it sometimes proves too much for the sensitive minds of the persons criticised. Such appears to have been the case recently in Auckland. With reference to the recent cases of assault committed on members of the Press in Auckland, the *Southern Cross* states that the charge preferred by Mr Utting against Mr Samuel Morrin has been withdrawn, a very humble apology having been accepted; and that the right to thrash members of the Press in satisfaction for any obnoxious criticism will be tested in the case Brett v. Walker in the Police Court.

The largest and most varied stock of drapery and clothing that has ever been in the Cromwell district is now opened by I. Hallenstein and Co. The whole has been carefully selected and bought for cash in Melbourne, thus enabling the above firm to dispose of the goods at even cheaper prices than have hitherto been ruling in Cromwell.—ADVT.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

PER CREVILLE'S TELEGRAM COMPANY, REUTERS' AGENTS.

DUNEDIN,

Tuesday, 10.27 a.m.

Mr Ulph, of the well-known firm of Oliver and Ulph, died on Sunday.

Mr McLeod, schoolmaster at Palmerston, has been committed for trial on a charge of indecently assaulting a pupil.

The Government has received proofs of the Europeans inciting the Natives to obstruct the construction of the telegraph to Auckland.

Lady Bowen arrived at Christchurch yesterday.

Peeress is the favourite for the Canterbury Cup.

Considerable excitement was caused in Christchurch on Saturday by the circulation of a rumour that the Orangemen intended to march in procession through the town. The Roman Catholics mustered in strong force to resent the Orange display. On the Inspector of Police and the Resident Magistrate stating publicly that no demonstration was intended, the Catholics quietly dispersed.

In Parliament, Mr Vogel's mail resolution—confirming the present contract with Webb for ten years—was carried, as against Mr Gillies' amendment, by 33 votes to 14.

The Government accepted an amendment by Mr Reynolds, which provides that no alterations are to be made in the terms of the contract which would have the effect of increasing the subsidy, or of exempting the contractors from the operation of the sixth clause, which provides that Webb's steamers shall call at all the principal ports of the colony.

Gisborne has intimated his intention of signing a Bill for the purpose of granting a pension to Mr St. John Brannigan, late Chief Commissioner of Armed Constabulary. He is now convalescent, residing in Dunedin.

The Otago Land Bill has been read a third time in the House of Representatives.

The Insolvency Law Amendment Bill has been shelved for the session.

Mr Fox has given notice that he will move an Address to Her Majesty the Queen, praying her to cause immediate steps to be taken for the abolition of slavery in the Polynesian Isles.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

A special meeting of Council was held in the Town-hall yesterday evening, Nov. 6. Present—The Mayor, and Councillors Fraser and Dawkins. Cr. Fraser (in the absence of Mr Fenwick) acted as Town Clerk.

A letter was read from the Under-Secretary in reference to the extension of the road on the surveyed line of Melbourne-terrace, and stating that the matter would receive the attention of the Government.

Tenders for supplying water for the use of the town were opened and read—one from M. Connellan and party, who offered to supply, without responsibility, half a sluice-head for the sum of £300, or a quarter sluice-head for £150. The other tender was from Anders Olsen, of the George, and was as follows:—

"To the Mayor and Councillors of Cromwell.

"Gentlemen,—I beg to offer you one-fourth of my whole interest in my licensed water-race, granted for four sluice-heads from the Lowburn, and construct a race to carry the said water to a point to be determined by you near Cromwell, for the sum of £149 10s."

It was proposed by Cr. Fraser, seconded by Cr. Dawkins, "That Mr Olsen's tender be accepted, and that the Mayor, Cr. Dawkins, and the mover constitute a sub-committee to settle the arrangements."—Carried.

It was then decided to engage Mr John Wright, at a weekly allowance of 13s., to look after the town race and street channels.

A vote of thanks to the Mayor closed the meeting.

SALMON IN THE CLUTHA.

We are informed, on good authority, that some half dozen salmon, or perhaps brown trout, were seen in the river Clutha near the Cromwell Bridge, on Sunday last. Our informant is confident in his assertion, which is corroborated by two or three persons. The members of the Otago Acclimatisation Society will, doubtless, be much gratified to receive this intelligence; and we sincerely hope that this proof that their efforts in the work of stocking our rivers with the "king of fish" are likely to be successful will incite them to renewed efforts in the great work of acclimatisation.

It appears probable that the fish have found their way up the river from the Waitere breeding ponds. It would be a fine thing if the rivers of this Province were stocked with salmon, affording sport to anglers, and supplying our tables with delicious fish. We hope the time is not far distant when this dream of enthusiastic acclimatizers will be realised. While on this subject, we may state that the acclimatisation of the brown trout appears to have been very successful in Southland. Recently, Mr Howard, the local society's curator, caught a male trout, aged two years and ten months, in the breeding ponds at Mikereva. In the home country, it would be considered above the average, being eighteen inches long, ten in girth, and weighing 2lbs 7ozs. The *Grey River Argus* is informed on good authority that it is probable that the Colonial Government, when the season arrives, will import a quantity of salmon ova from California. The shortness of the voyage from that place to New Zealand will ensure its arrival in a thoroughly healthy condition.

PARLIAMENTARY.

The following items of parliamentary intelligence will be read with interest:—

In the debate on the Brogden contracts on October 27, Mr Reynolds said he thoroughly agreed with Mr Bathgate that the contract was a good one for the Colony. He would move the following additions to Mr Vogel's resolutions:—"And further recommends that the Government negotiate with Messrs Brogden for the modification and extension of No. 2 Contract, or the substitution of one in its place as nearly as possible to the following effect:—That Messrs Brogden construct such railways authorised, or to be authorised, by the Assembly as it may be agreed shall be offered them, to the amount of £1,000,000, that being within the limits fixed by the Legislature; Messrs Brogden and Sons to state the price at which they are willing to construct each railway; the Government to be at liberty to refuse or accept their offer; payment to be made in debentures bearing some 5 per cent. interest, or in cash, at the option of the Government. In the event of the Government and Messrs Brogden and Sons not being able to agree as to the construction of railways under these provisions, the Government, or Messrs Brogden, on notice to that effect being given by either party, to be bound to carry out No. 2 Contract."

Mr Vogel accepted Mr Reynolds' amendment, as it would strengthen the hands of the Government in their negotiations with Messrs Brogden.

[After a long debate, Mr Reynolds' addition was carried by a majority of 47 to 15. This shows that the Government are losing some of that blind confidence which too many hon. members have hitherto so implicitly reposed in them.]

Messrs Camm, McKay, and Proudfoot, of Dunedin, offer to construct from 50 to 500 miles of railway, for Colonial debentures bearing interest, or for cash, prices to be settled by arbitration, with 5 per cent. for profit. They also offer to complete the construction of any line by tender, advancing £10,000 as security.

Mr Vogel has given notice of a resolution confirming the present San Francisco mail contract for ten years. [Our telegraphic news states that the resolution has been carried.]

LOYAL CROMWELL LODGE, M.U.L.O.O.F.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY BALL.

Stewards:—G.M. Crombie, N.G. Brown, V.G. Talboys, Bro. Howe, Bro. Connellan, Bro. Barnes, E.S. Wright.

On Friday night last the first anniversary of the above Lodge was celebrated by a ball and supper at Kidd's Concert Hall. Celebrations of this kind usually create much interest in this town and district, and bring together large assemblages of the members of the Order of Odd-fellows and kindred Societies. The ladies also muster pretty strongly. The present occasion was no exception to the rule, and the ball and supper were, in consequence, a success. The Concert Hall was nicely ornamented,—the emblems and mottoes of the Order being displayed, as well as the Dispensation granted to the Loyal Cromwell Lodge by the Grand Lodge. The musical department was entrusted to Mr G. Robinson, pianist; Mr Sargison, violinist; and Mr W. H. Whetter, cornet. Mr J. Grindley, of course, officiated as Master of the Ceremonies, and by his tact and knowledge of the mysteries of the dance contributed in no small degree to the pleasurable character of the affair. The night was fine, and there was a large attendance,—between, we should think, 70 and 80 ladies and gentlemen. Our friends at Clyde and Alexandra were, however, conspicuous by their absence. The programme for the ball was divided into two parts,—each containing twelve dances. The first part opened with a march and polka at about 9 p.m., and dancing was kept up till past 7 a.m. on Saturday. The scene was a gay one, the elegant dresses of the ladies and the distinctive decorations of the members and officers of the Lodge contributing to a generally pleasing effect. The music was good, and dances followed in rapid succession, the first part being disposed of soon after midnight, when the hall was cleared and supper laid. There were two long tables, one down each side of the building. In due course the company were seated, and the viands and wines provided by the caterers were dispensed. The supper appeared to give much satisfaction, Mr Kidd's reputation being fully sustained on this occasion.

The Noble Grand (Mr Robert Brown) presided at the head of one table, Vice-Grand Talboys presided at the other; Host Howe and Elective Secretary Chas. W. Wright acting as cronies.

After refreshments had been disposed of, the customary ceremony of proposing toasts was proceeded with.

N.G. Brown proposed "The Queen and the Manchester Unity," making a few appropriate remarks. Loyalty to the throne had always characterised the Order, and the name of their Lodge—the "Loyal" Cromwell—was an indication of the patriotic sentiments of its members. The toast was drunk with much enthusiasm.

G.M. Crombie proposed "Prosperity to the Lodges of the United Otago District," remarking that although the Loyal Cromwell Lodge had only been in existence twelve months, it was already in a highly prosperous condition,—in fact, quite a success. They had now £100 to the credit of the Sick and Funeral Fund, and had 43 financial members. There were in the United Otago District 1113 members of the Order, in 27 Lodges,—all of which were in a prosperous state. He felt great pleasure in proposing the toast. It was received with applause, and the usual honours.

V.G. Talboys proposed "Kindred Societies." He remarked that though there were differences in the constitutions of the Orders of Odd-fellows and Foresters, yet each in its own way endeavoured to do its best,—working towards the same end, viz, the mutual benefit of their brethren. It was only those who had been initiated that knew the virtues of the Order, or could fully understand the benefits of being a Brother,—either in Forestry or Odd-fellowship. He desired the guests to drink prosperity to Kindred Societies. (Applause.)

Cr. Fraser responded on behalf of the Court Star of Cromwell, A.O.F. Though under different constitutions, they had the same object in view, and he hoped that the harmony which had hitherto characterised the working of the various Lodges of Foresters and Odd-fellows would long continue. (Applause.)

Cr. Barnes, Court Royal Oak of Kawarua, A.O.F., acknowledged the toast on behalf of that Court.

E.S. Wright proposed the health of the Ladies, and dilated upon the importance of their influence and co-operation in securing success and pleasure in undertakings such as they were all that night engaged in.

The toast was received with applause and musical honours.

Mr J. Taylor, Mayor of Cromwell, being a bachelor, was called upon to respond. He was understood to say that his heart was most pleasantly affected by beholding such an assemblage of the youth and beauty of the district. His feelings, in fact, were too deep to find a adequate expression; and he substituted a plaud and laughter, after briefly returning thanks.

Bro. Howe proposed the toast of "The Press," remarking that the *Cromwell Argus* had always done its best to forward the interests of the Order generally, and of the Loyal Cromwell Lodge in particular.

Mr J. J. Williams responded, on behalf of the proprietors of the *Argus*, assuring the assembly that that journal would at all times feel a pleasure in giving its support to the interests of the Lodge whose first anniversary was then being celebrated. The members must consider that they were laying the foundations of an institution which would continue to exist when they had all departed hence,—a seed they were now sowing would yield a harvest of mutual benefit to this and to succeeding generations; and the promulgation of the principles of the Order,—Friendship, Love, Truth,—Faith, Hope, and

Charity,—would be permanently beneficial to the community.

N.G. Brown then proposed "The Host and Hostess," which was duly responded to by Mr Robert Kidd.

This concluded the list of toasts, and the room was speedily cleared, and the dancing resumed. The second part of the programme opened with a quadrille, and concluded with that favourite old dance of Sir Roger de Coverley. The company appeared to enjoy themselves thoroughly, and the arrangements of the Stewards gave complete satisfaction.

DEATH BY DROWNING OF MR JOHN B. LUSCOMBE.

A most melancholy and painful sensation was created in the town of Cromwell and throughout the entire district when it became known on Sunday morning that the lifeless body of Mr John B. Luscombe had been found in the All Nations water-race at Quartzville late on the previous evening. The deceased was about 37 years of age, and was a native of the town of Chudleigh, in Devonshire. He had been resident in the district about nine years, and by his manly character and remarkable social and convivial qualities had endeared himself to all with whom he came into contact. The sudden and peculiar manner of his death gave additional force to the blow which his many friends experienced upon hearing of his sad and untimely end. Among working miners there are many men of superior abilities, of great moral worth, and possessed of characteristics which would adorn any station of life. The deceased, whose departure from amongst us we now both chronicle and deplore, possessed, in an eminent degree, many of the qualities to which we have referred. As a husband, a father, and a friend, his reputation was irreproachable. Among his fellow-miners, "Johnny Luscombe" was most popular. What renders his untimely and more deplorable is that he leaves behind him a widow and five children,—one an infant, only a few weeks old,—to mourn their irreparable loss.

The facts of the case, so far as we have been able to gather them, are these:—The deceased, whose claim and house are on the Five-Mile Creek, rode into Cromwell on Saturday afternoon last to transact some business. He was met by numerous friends and acquaintances, and appeared to be in his usual health and spirits. He left this town about 5.30 p.m. on horseback, having just had the animal shod at Lindsay's Farriery. He reached Mr Cormick's Carriack Range Hotel safely, between 7 and 8 o'clock in the evening, put his horse in the stable, and remained there some time. About 9.30 p.m., he remarked that he would go and see Mr and Mrs Lawrence (who live across the road). This he did, and after a short stay left their house, apparently with the intention of going back to Mr Cormick's. Mrs Lawrence warned him to "Look out for the race," and offered to show him a light, which he declined, replying that he was "All right." He then went in the direction of the place where he, but a few moments afterwards, met his untimely death. From the traces left on the spot at which deceased fell in, it appears that he must have stumbled into the race; his head coming into contact with a stone, or hard gravel, he was probably stunned; and, although there was but little water in the race at the time, there was sufficient to suffocate a man who was stunned and impacted therein. He is supposed to have fallen in close to the end of Lawrence's house; but, as the water accumulated, his body seems to have been carried down about 30 yards to an angle in front of Mr Cormick's Hotel. Mr McCormick had occasion, about 11 o'clock p.m., to go to the race for some water, and then he observed that the water was overflowing the road. Upon examination, the lifeless form of poor Luscombe was found in the race; it was speedily lifted out, and taken to the Hotel. Every exertion was made to restore animation; but without success. Life had probably been extinct for an hour and a half. Information was at once sent in to the police in Cromwell.

Dr Corse went out on Sunday, and found the parietal bones depressed, in such a manner as would result from a person falling forward suddenly on to a hard substance. Such a depression of the parietal bones is, Dr Corse considers, sufficient to account for death. To this must, however, be added the fact that the body so obstructed the flow of water in the race as to cause sufficient to accumulate to finish the sad business by drowning.

The late Mr Luscombe's vocal abilities were above the average, and on many occasions he sang at Popular Concerts,—being a great favourite. A pathetic incident has been related to us:—On Saturday afternoon, he called on his friend Dr Corse, and before he left sang one of his favourite songs, "Say a kind word when you can." The late Mr Barrett similarly sang a favourite ballad, "Then you'll remember me," very shortly before his violent death. Those of our readers who knew the deceased will recognise a peculiar pathos in the incident of his gaily singing a parting song at a friend's house, when unconscious that his end was so near. Everyone who knew him will, however, readily accord him the kindest of kind words, and cherish his memory for many a day.

The inquest was held to-day, before the District Coroner (Vincent Pyke, Esq.), when evidence was given which agrees with the particulars, with the above outline.

The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental Death by Drowning."

The funeral takes place this afternoon.

RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT,
CROMWELL.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2.

(Before Vincent Pyke, Esq., J.P.; and James Taylor, Esq., R.M.)

CHARGE OF TRESPASS.

James Scott, baker, of Cromwell, was charged, on the information of Sergeant Cassels, with allowing four goats to wander within the Municipality.

Mr Brough, on behalf of defendant, pleaded Guilty; but in extenuation of the offence explained the difficulties of restraining goats within any prescribed boundaries. His client would, however, take special measures to prevent the animals again trespassing within the township.

The officers of the police did not press the charge, and the case was dismissed upon payment, by the defendant, of the costs of the summons.

BREACH OF THE PEACE.

Joseph Laverty and Mark Shawe were summoned for creating a breach of the peace, by fighting, on Sunday, the 23rd of October.

Defendants did not put in an appearance, and Sergeant Cassels said he did not wish to press the charge.

Mr Pyke said the Act was mandatory. The defendant ought to have obeyed the summons, and their non-appearance was, in effect, a contempt of Court. They must appear, and the police should take out a warrant to compel their appearance.

Warrant taken out accordingly.

A ROW AT THE REEFS.

Thomas Hudson, alias Johnny up a Plum Tree, charged a female named Mary Guilford with having, on October 2nd, at Logtown, used threatening, abusive, and insulting words to complainant and his wife, such words being calculated to cause a breach of the peace.

Mr Wilson appeared for the defendant. The complainant conducted his own case.

The following is a summary of the evidence:—

Thomas Hudson, sworn: I am a butcher, residing at Logtown. On October 2nd, the defendant came to my house, the worse of liquor, and accused my wife of saying "bad things" about her; she said Mrs Jackson and Mrs Wheeler could prove that Mrs Hudson had slandered her. She said that Mrs Hudson was a b—y w—, and ten times worse than she (Mrs Guilford) was herself. She refused, when asked, to leave the house, and chased my wife, who had an infant in her arms. Shortly afterwards she returned, and I took up several bottles, which she threw at the windows, and smashed them. She said that I kept a brothel.

Cross-examined by Mr Wilson: All this took place on October 2nd. I did not take out the summons till three weeks after. I did not call her a sauginary prostitute; nor did I strike her.

Jane Wheeler, sworn: I was at Hudson's house on October 2nd. Mrs Guilford was there. There was a disturbance, and I went to see what it was all about. Hudson used very improper language to Mrs Guilford, calling her bad and improper names.

Hudson: What were the words used?

Witness declined to utter the obscene words.

Mr Pyke: I will not compel the witness—a woman—to defile her tongue by uttering, in this Court, obscene and indecent expressions.

Witness: I saw Hudson strike Mrs Guilford in a brutal manner, on her mouth and breast. It was done in the passage, behind the door.

Hudson here interrupted the witness in a very abrupt manner;—so said.

Mr Pyke: You are evidently a cantankerous, quarrelsome, disagreeable man. You are now conducting yourself in this Court in a most indecent manner.

Hudson: Thank you, sir.

Mr Pyke: If you do not behave yourself, you will have something more to thank me for in another moment.

Witness, cross-examined by Mr Wilson: After he had called Mrs Guilford "bad names," she simply said, "You had better look after your own —"

Mr Wilson then addressed the Bench, declaring that, in his opinion, Hudson ought to have been the defendant. It was evident, from the evidence, that he was the aggressor; and, by his own evidence, had proved the defendant's case. He (Mr Wilson) urged that the case should be dismissed.

Mr Pyke: The case is dismissed. In doing so, the Bench desire to express their utter disgust that such a filthy case should ever have been brought into Court. The Magistrates cannot conceive of anything in the shape of a man acting in so indecent and cowardly a manner as, from his conduct in Court to-day, it is evident the complainant (Hudson) is capable of doing.

CIVIL CASE.

The Trustees of the Estate of the late Patrick Kelly v. Edward Grant.—This was an action to recover £10, due to the estate. An I.O.U. was produced by Mr W. Shanly (one of the trustees) in proof of the debt.

Judgment was given for the amount claimed, with costs.

A CARTRIDGE CASE.

Coleclough v. Needham.—To recover £5 11s. for goods sold.

Mr Brough for plaintiff. Mr Wilson, for defendant, asked that the evidence of his client (who was unable to attend the Court in Cromwell) should be taken at the Court nearest to the place (Carlton) where the cause of action arose. The defendant resided 50 miles away, and had a good defence to the action.

After some discussion, the Bench granted an adjournment of the case for a week, during which time defendant could take any course he might be advised to do by counsel.

A DISPUTED ACCOUNT.

Coleclough v. Bond.—To recover £5 1s., alleged to be due for goods sold and delivered.

Mr Brough appeared for the plaintiff; Mr Wilson, for the defendant, pleaded Not Indebted.

The evidence in this case was of a peculiarly involved character. It consisted in Mr Bond producing a receipt from Mr Coleclough for the sum of £5 12s.,—apparently for the identical goods which were charged in the bill of particulars attached to the summons.

The account-books were produced, together with several invoices.

Mr Wilson (for defendant) argued that the debt had not been proved. In fact, the receipt which had been produced was conclusive evidence that the money had been paid for any goods received by Bond from Coleclough.

G. B. Bond, being sworn, declared that the goods in question had been paid for. He had not by his own hand passed the cash to Coleclough; but it had, he was certain, been paid to plaintiff on his (Bond's) behalf by Mr Gibson.

Mr Pyke: The books do not correspond with the accounts produced. The debt is not proved, in the opinion of the Bench; and the evidence discloses a very extraordinary style of book-keeping. The debit side appears to have been attended to; but the credit side utterly neglected.

Mr Wilson asked for costs.

Mr Pyke: I shall allow defendant full costs. The case should not have been brought in this Court at all; and I will not encourage men being dragged down the country, 50 or 60 miles, away from the place where the cause of action arose.

After some discussion, Mr Brough consented, on behalf of his client, to take a Nonsuit.

The Bench awarded Mr Bond £4 for personal expenses; 21s. for his professional adviser's fee; and 29s. Court costs. Total, £6 10s.

IMPORTANT TO LANDOWNERS.

Broughton v. Brown.—This was an adjourned case. The R.M. now gave judgment. He said he had, since the hearing, fully considered the question then raised as to the right to demand lateral support to land. He had consulted Addison and other authorities, and found two or three hitches in the matter; but had been enabled to arrive at the conclusion that as there was no fixed or professional street level, or base line, every owner of land had a perfect right to reduce his section, or sections, to any level he might choose. The defendant was, in point of fact, a trespasser. This being the law, the Court gave judgment for the plaintiff, £10 damages, and £2 6s. costs.

WARDEN'S COURT, CROMWELL.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2.

(Before Vincent Pyke, Esq., Judge and Warden.)

APPLICATIONS.

Prospecting Quartz Claims.—Thomas Hall, E. McNulty, T. Montague, James Russell, James McNulty, and F. Hoffman applied for a prospecting quartz claim, situate half a mile west of the Royal Standard prospecting quartz claim (registered), at Carrick Range.—Direction of reef, about W.N.W.; thickness of lode, about 3ft. Prospects, about 14 ozs. to the ton.—1200 ft. grant, conditionally on four men being constantly employed thereon for two months, and thereafter and continuously six men.

J. H. Brown (2 shares), J. Fleming, Chas. Green, M. M. Kay, R. Randall, G. McCabe, R. Higgins, J. Woodward, E. Robinson, A. Bean, and J. Bailey applied for a prospecting quartz claim, 1200 feet by 300 feet, situated at the head of Adams's Gully, Carrick Range. Prospect, half an ounce to the ton. The lode is running east and west. The reef is a mile distant from any reef at present discovered.—1200 ft. grant, on same conditions as first-mentioned grant (to Hall and party).

E. Elliott and J. Tickle applied for leave to divert a part of the main road between Cromwell and Clyde, commencing 100 yards north of the Sonora Creek, and terminating 100 yards north of Falcon Hotel. Adjourned for a week.

Extended Claim.—John C. Mann and another, 2 acres in Pipeclay Gully. Granted.

Tail Race.—The same applicants applied for a tail race from the claim just granted to them; and the application was granted.

Protections.—Thomas Scott and five others, sixty days for a quartz claim, No. 1 east of the Royal Standard prospecting claim, to test reef. Granted.—Robert Kidd and five others, sixty days for a quartz claim 300 yards east of the Star of the East, to test reef. Granted.

Water Races.—James Hurn and another, one sluice-head from 300 yards below Partridge and party's water race in Amesfield Creek. Granted.

Residence Area.—John Smiddy, one acre, adjoining Thomson's area in Smith's Gully. Granted.

An exchange says:—"The strong attachment of subscribers to well-conducted newspapers is fully confirmed by publishers. 'Stop my paper' words of dread to new beginners in the business, lose their terror after a paper has been established a number of years. So long as a paper pursues a just, honorable, and judicious course, meeting the wants of its customers in all respects, the ties of friendship between the subscribers and the paper are as hard to break by any outside third party as the links which bind old friends in business or social life. Occasional defects and errors in a newspaper are overlooked by those who have become attached to it through its perusal for years. They may sometimes be dissatisfied with it on account of something which has slipped into its columns, and may stop taking it; but the absence of the familiar sheet at their houses or offices for a few weeks becomes an insupportable deprivation, and they hasten back to take it again, and possibly apologise for having stopped it. This we believe to be the common experience in the history of all established newspapers. No friendship on earth is more constant than that contracted by the reader for a journal which makes an earnest effort to merit his continued support."

An action was recently brought in the Supreme Court, at Auckland, against two magistrates for a wrongful conviction in February last. The case was conclusive, the conviction having been quashed by the Court of Appeal after the plaintiff in the present action had suffered one month's imprisonment, the magistrates having convicted on an obsolete Act of George III. Damages were laid at £300. During the trial several legal points arose which were ably argued on both sides. The jury awarded the damages at £28, compensation for suffering one month's imprisonment with hard labour, clothed in prison clothes, fed on prison diet, and subject to gaol discipline illegally.

BENDIGO.

(From our own Correspondent.)

November 1.

Nothing of serious import has occurred since my last communication to disturb the even tenor of our way, if we except the very decided change in the weather. Old Sol has come out in great strength, and the snow, unable to resist its beaming glance, is rapidly disappearing. From many indications I have noted, and compared with past experiences, I venture to predict a very dry summer. The flow of water in many of our races is already visibly affected, and should the drought continue, the aqueous supply will fall far short of our requirements.

In reefing matters there is little to report. The Cromwell and Coleclough Companies are working vigorously, and the latter, from all appearances, bids fair to retrieve past ill-luck.—The Alta Company is still in a state of syncope. A meeting of the shareholders will be held next week to decide its fate. I might be deemed impertinent in offering an opinion on the matter, so will content myself with quoting a very old adage for the consideration of the company, viz., "Faint heart never won fair lady," which is very applicable to their case, and in fact to quartz-mining in general.—The Rise and Shine Reef still keeps up its excellent character as the shaft deepens. I think its plying nature is already proved beyond a doubt; but the shareholders are determined to make "assurance doubly sure" before incurring the outlay for machinery; and herein show their wisdom.—The Thompson's Creek reef has changed hands. The new proprietors, Mr. Mitohinson and several others, have put on men to sink shafts and test the extent of the lode. Machinery will be provided at an early date, so that this long dormant but valuable speculation will at last get an airing.

Hazlett and party have completed the cutting of the Aurora race, and will at once commence denuding the terraces fronting the Lindis River. This party having gone to a great expense in money and labour in their project will, I hope, be richly rewarded; but of that there is little doubt.

The Races committee expect to be able to collect about £100. This amount judiciously expended, ought to provide plenty of sport for Christmas week, and will doubtless increase our list of visitors during the festive season.

I do not pretend to belong to the "unco guid," but must certainly again call the attention of the powers that be to the desecration of the Sabbath by the Chinese in this place. Their much vaunted "industrious habits" apparently quite overcome their scruples (supposing such to exist). Where are the missionaries? and where, oh where? are the police? If we must have "John" as a neighbour, let us try and make a good citizen of him; or at least compel him to observe the laws of the country which protects and shelters him.

The whaling season has commenced. For the information of such of your readers as may not understand the above announcement, let me explain that the term "whaler" is the general title of that nomadic class of the community called in Victoria, swagmen. I see numbers of these peripatetics daily seeking work and finding none. In the face of the proposed gigantic immigration scheme, fact looks bad. We are told very complacently by the promoters of the said scheme that the Colony will be able to absorb the immigrants as they arrive, &c. This is of course very refreshing, but is only a mere statement. If the absorbing process is such a certainty, why not commence it now? Let the Government suppose that the hundreds of "whalers" knocking about Otago have just arrived by the cheap passage system, and treat them as they propose treating the new comers. They would thus have settlers without the cost of importing them, and would confer a very great boon on the settled population generally, and the "whaling" fraternity in particular.

The lambing in the district this season has been very productive. The increase is quoted at 93 per cent. Who wouldn't be a squatter?

LATER EUROPEAN ITEMS.

(By Electric Telegraph.)

Suez dates are brought to October 2nd. The health of the Queen is improving. There is an agitation for reform in the House of Lords.

Lord Bury will probably be the next Governor of New Zealand.

The Marquis of Normanby replaces Earl Belmore.

The French relations with Italy are unfriendly.

The trade strikes in England are assuming alarming proportions, and the principal industries are deranged thereby.

England is at present free from Asiatic cholera.

Great military manoeuvres are going on near St. Petersburg.

Thousands are dying of cholera in Russia and Germany.

The London Times wishes cordial success to the New Zealand scheme of settling the emigrants along the contemplated railway lines.

Wool is 1d to 1½d higher than last closing rates.

The wool sales opened with great animation; 139,347 bales were catalogued, and 950 bales of flax sold from £21 to £39 for superior dressed.

CROMWELL JOCKEY CLUB RACES.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY,
DECEMBER 29 & 30, 1871.

STEWARDS:

Messrs J. COWAN Messrs I. LOUGHNAN
J. TAYLOR D. A. JOLLY
W. SMITHAM T. LOGAN
W. SHANLY R. KIDD.

JUDGE:

Mr J. HARDING.

HANDICAPERS:

Messrs I. LOUGHNAN & J. WRIGHTSON.

STARTER:

Mr J. DAWKINS.

CLERK OF THE COURSE:

Mr O. PIERCE.

FIRST DAY: FRIDAY,
DECEMBER 29.

MAIDEN PLATE of 30 sovs. for all horses that have never won an advertised prize of over 25 sovs. Weight for age. Distance, a mile and a half. Entrance, £2.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 40 sovs. Distance, two miles and a half; over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination, £1 1s; acceptance, £1 1s.

TOWN PLATE of 50 sovs. Weight for age. Distance, two miles and a half. Entrance, £3 3s.

GRAND STAND HANDICAP of 60 sovs. Distance, a mile and a half. Nomination, £1 1s; acceptance, £2 2s.

HACK SELLING RACE of 15 sovs. Winner to be sold for £15; surplus to go to Race Fund. Distance, three-quarters of a mile; heats. Entrance, 20s. No weight less than 10st. Post entry.

SECOND DAY: SATURDAY,
DECEMBER 30.

MINERS' PURSE of 10 sovs. Distance, three-quarters of a mile; heats. No weight less than 10st. No horse to run that has won an advertised prize of over £15. Entrance, 15s. Post entry.

JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP of 80 sovs., with a sweepstake of £3 3s added. Distance, two miles and a half. Nomination, £2 2s; acceptance, £2 2s.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 30 sovs. Distance, a mile and a half; over five flights of hurdles. Nomination, £1 1s; acceptance, £1 1s.

FREE HANDICAP of 30 sovs. Distance, one mile. Acceptance, £1 1s.

CONSOLATION HANDICAP RACE of 20 sovs. Distance, a mile. Entrance, £1 1s.

Handicaps for Second Day's races to be declared on evening of First Day's races.

Nominations for Handicap Hurdle Race and Grand Stand Handicap to be forwarded to the Secretary on or before Monday, 4th December. Weights to be declared in CROMWELL ARGUS of 5th, and Dunedin Times of 8th December. Acceptances to be received by the Secretary on or before night of general entry.

Nominations for Jockey Club Handicap and Hurdle Race to be made night of general entry.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Mares and Geldings allowed 3lbs.

No entries will be received for any of the above races except upon this condition: that all disputes, claims, and objections arising out of the racing shall be decided by the Stewards, or whom they may appoint. Their decision upon all points connected with the carrying out of the programme shall be final.

No person shall be allowed to enter or run a horse for any race in this programme (post entry races excepted), unless the latter be qualified as the bona fide property of a subscriber of not less than £2 2s to the Race Fund.

Entries to be received by the Secretary before 9 p.m. on the 23rd December: entrance money enclosed, with name, age, and pedigree (if any) of the horse, name of owner, and colours of rider.

Any jockey riding except in the colours entered will be fined £2.

Two and a half per cent. will be deducted from gross amount of all stakes for expenses.

Horses walking over will receive 50 per cent of the stakes.

The Dunstan Jockey Club Rules will be strictly enforced.

Any person entering a protest will have to deposit £2, and should such be deemed frivolous by the Stewards, will have to forfeit the amount.

N.B.—No entries or acceptances will be received on any pretence whatever after the time specified.

WILLIAM MACNAB,
Secretary.

Cromwell



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Goods delivered in all parts of the district,
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Teas of excellent flavor, in chests, half-chests, and boxes
Coffees not to be surpassed in quality
Cocoa and Chocolate of the best brands
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GRAIN.
Wakatip Oats, Wheat, and Chaff
SPIRITS.

Islay Whisky—Arbegg's and Long Jones'
Hennessey's and Martell's Brandy, in bulk and case
J.D.K.Z. Geneva
Burnett's Old Tom
Lemon Hart's Rum in bulk
Porter—Blood's, Byass's, and Guinness's
CORDIALS.
Ginger Wine, Raspberry Vinegar, Peppermint,
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Dr Townsend's Sarsaparilla

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HARNESS-MAKER,

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Collars, Pack-saddles, and Harness of every description made on the premises.

Repairs done on the shortest notice.

Cromwell

[A CARD.]

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May be consulted daily at his residence,
MELMORE TERRACE,
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[A CARD.]

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HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT

Bad Legs, Ulcers, Sores, Rad Breasts, and Old Wounds.

No description of wound, sore, or ulcer can resist the healing properties of this excellent ointment. The worst cases readily assume a healthy appearance whenever this medicament is applied a sound flesh springs up from the bottom of the wound, inflammation of the surrounding skin is arrested, and a complete and permanent cure quickly follows the use of the Ointment.

Piles, Fistulas, and Internal Inflammation.
These distressing and weakening diseases may with certainty be cured by the salves themselves, if they will use Holloway's Ointment, and closely attend to the printed instructions. It should be well rubbed upon the neighbouring parts, when all obnoxious matter will be removed. A poultice of bread and water may sometimes be applied at bed time with advantage; the most scrupulous cleanliness must be observed. If those who read this paragraph will bring it under the notice of such of their acquaintances whom it may concern they will render a service that will never be forgotten as a cure is certain.

Rheumatism, Gout, and Neuralgia.

Nothing has the power of relieving inflammation and subduing pain in these complaints in the same degree as Holloway's Ointment and purifying Pills. When used simultaneously they drive all inflammation and depravities from the system, subdue and remove all enlargement of the joints, and leave the sinews and muscles lax and uncontracted. A cure may always be effected even under the worst circumstances, if the use of these medicines be persevered in.

Eruptions, Scald Head, Ringworm, and other Skin Diseases.

After contamination with warm water, the utmost relief and speediest cure can be readily obtained of all complaints affecting the skin and joints, by the simultaneous use of the Ointment and Pills. But it must be remembered that nearly all skin diseases are the result of the blood, and derangement of the liver and stomach; consequently in many cases, time is required to purify the blood, which will be effected by a judicious use of the Pills. The general health will thereby be improved, and the eruption may be driven out more freely than before; and this should be promoted. Perseverance is necessary.

Sore Throats, Diphtheria, Quinsy, Mumps and all other Derangements of the Throat.

On the appearance of any of these maladies, the Ointment should be well rubbed at least three times a day upon the neck and under part of the chest, so as to penetrate to the glands, as salt is forced into meat. This course will at once remove inflammation and ulceration. The worst cases will yield to this treatment if the printed directions be followed.

Scrofula, or King's Evil, and Swelling of the Glands.

This class of cases may be cured by Holloway's purifying Pills and Ointment, as their double action of purifying the blood and strengthening the system renders them more resolute than any other remedy for all complaints of a scrofulous nature. As the blood is impure, the liver, stomach, and bowels being much deranged, require purifying medicine to bring about a cure.

Both Ointment and Pills should be used in the following Disorders:

Bad Legs	Scalls
Rad Breasts	Sore Nipples
Burns	Sore Throats
Bunions	Skin Diseases
Bite of Mosquitoes and Sandflies	Scurvy
Corn-hay	Sore Heads
Chicx-foot	Furuncles
Chilblains	Ulcers
Fistulas	Wounds and Yaws.
Gout	Cancers
Glandular Swellings	Contracted and Stiff Joints
Lumbago	Elephantiasis
Piles	Chapped Hands
Rheumatism	Corns (soft)

There is a considerable saving by taking the larger sizes.

N. B. Directions for the guidance of patient in every disorder are affixed to each box, and can be had in any language, even in Chinese.

Advertisements

THE UNDERSIGNED

Begs to inform the
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That the business hitherto carried on by him under the name and style of HAY BROS., TAILORS & OUTFITTERS, 111, 113, street, Dunedin, will on and after this date be carried on by him under the name and style of

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TAILOR AND OUTFITTER,

PRINCES-STREET,

DUNEDIN,

DAVID R. HAY.

Princes-street, Dunedin.

23th March, 1870.

N.B. With reference to the above, I beg most respectfully to inform all those who are indebted to the late firm that I shall feel extremely obliged to them if they will be kind enough to settle their accounts AT ONCE.

DAVID R. HAY.

"Up! Up! my friend, and clear your looks! Why all this toil and trouble?"

All those who are suffering from despondence, melancholia, loss of spirits and pluck, who feel that they are wasting and pining, and who are gradually getting weaker and weaker, from causes they have not courage or desire to acquaint their family attendant with: in all such cases, Mr L. L. SMITH feels it incumbent on himself to inform such unfortunate patients, that he has devoted his lifetime to the study of these complaints, having been a pupil and assistant of the late Dr Culverwell, of London, who made these diseases his special practice.

In all those diseases relating and pertaining to Married Life, and which make marriage a curse rather than a blessing, Mr L. L. SMITH can be consulted with the greatest certainty of success, and with the additional feeling that no chance can possibly occur of their secret ever being divulged.

In cases of extreme Nervous Debility, where the patient feels that he is exhausted and physically prostrated, and incapable of exertion without great fatigue, then and there the person so situated should at once consult Mr L. L. SMITH, before disease of a more serious character sets in; the above arises frequently from the enervating influence of hot climates, but frequently from other causes of a more serious nature.

Palpitations of the heart, a tendency also to be easily startled and alarmed, is another phase of disease which requires particular attention, as arising from a most important cause; those who suffer from the above have now—

"Mixed reason with pleasure

And wisdom with mirth."

But have, on the contrary, been guilty of a secret vice, which has, as it were, eaten into their very vitals. Many "old young men" consult me, who, though young in years, have, through the vice above alluded to, and by their having been quacked by the unqualified and unskilful medical man, at last given up all hope and succumbed, and are aged in their very youth, unfitted to fulfil the duties which they were sent to this world to perform.

"Be wise to-day, his madness to defer,

Procrastination is the thief of time."

Mr L. L. SMITH wishes to impress upon those who are labouring under diseases which cannot be treated by the general medical attendant, from insufficient knowledge and practice, that as an expert in these diseases, he has the right to warn the public at large against the number of blatant charlatans and quacks, who not only extort the money out of the pockets of the patients, but are continually ruining the health of the unfortunate sufferers. Many hundreds yearly present themselves to him from all the different colonies, who are thoroughly bankrupt in health and pocket, and they then lament, when too late, the horrible deception which has been practised on them.

Not only do men deceive those unfortunate victims by pretending to be legally-qualified men, but they advertise for sale, and swindle the public, by selling bottles of muck, under the name of "Dr. Kinson's Essence of Life," "Balm of Syriacum," and a mass of other quackeries, whose sole province is to extract money out of the pockets of their deluded victims.

Will the public never understand that the only guarantee they can have that they will be honestly and skilfully treated, is the fact that the person to whom they apply for advice is a legally-qualified medical man, who has devoted his time to the branch of practice for which the patient is seeking aid? Secondly, that his long residence in the place, and his position, is at least a guarantee of the estimation in which he is held by his fellow-citizens.

Dr L. L. SMITH can be consulted by letter: fee, £1.

By the above means, any male or female patient can, by describing their symptoms, avoid the unpleasantness, in many cases, of a personal interview, and the patient can rest assured that the medicine is genuine.

Medicines appropriately packed to avoid observation are sent to all parts of the colonies, with plain letters as to diet, &c.

Mr L. L. SMITH consults personally daily—mornings before 11, and evenings before 7 and 9, 22 Bourke-street east, Melbourne.

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